

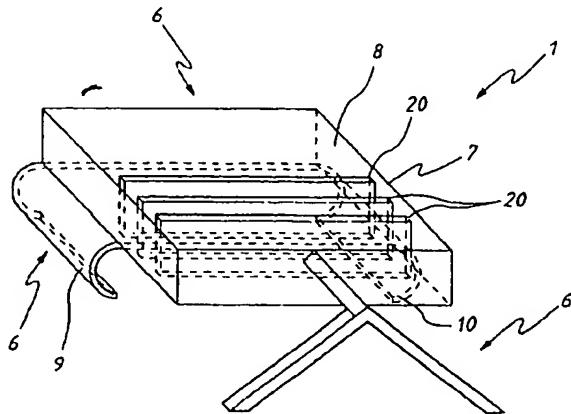
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(54) Abstract Title: Apparatus and methods for bone surgery

(57) The surgeon grasps the jig (140) by its handle (141) and manipulates the head (210) of the jig through the patient wound and onto the femoral neck (4), as best illustrated in figure 67. The head (210) of the jig (140) includes jig location means in the form of an elongate rod which acts as a spacer (142). The spacer (142) has an end (211) which abuts the trochanteric fossa so as to position the slot (143) of the jig (140) at the required position, which, in the preferred embodiment, is between 5mm and 25mm and most preferably 15mm, from the trochantic fossa. Additional jig location means are provided by a surface (212) adapted to receive a bone formation. This surface (212) is provided by contours (146) on the base of the head (210) which are adapted to mate with contours of the femur. The slot (143) is oriented generally perpendicularly to the elongate dimension of the rod (142). The slot (143) functions as a surgical tool guide means which is positioned by the jig (140) at the correct position for osteotomisation of the neck (4). Advantageously, osteotomisation takes place whilst the femoral head (3) is still disposed within the acetabulum.



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